District II Advisory Board Minutes May 2, 2005

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The District II Advisory Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Rockwell Branch Library, 5939 E. 9th Street North. Eight board members, one youth representatives, staff and approximately twenty citizens were in attendance. Only those individuals who signed in are listed as guests below.

Members Present

Daryl Crotts
Ray Frederick
Larry Frutiger
Matt Hesse
Joe Johnson
David Mollhagen
Phil Ryan
Dane Saksa*
Marty Weeks
Council Member Sue Schlapp

*Youth Representative

Members Absent

Brian Carduff
Sarah Devries
Tim Goodpasture
Kaci Tucker*

Staff Present

Jim Armour, Engineering
Deb Ary, Engineering
Kelli Glassman, Neighborhood Assistant
Officer Hardesty, Patrol North
Don Henry, Environmental Services
Kay Johnson, Environmental Services
Officer Lenzi, Patrol East
Officer Palmer, Patrol North
Officer Parker, Patrol North
Shirley Rogers, Engineering

Guests

Listed on the last page

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

The agenda for May 2, 2005 was approved as submitted (Frederick/Frutiger: 8-0).

The meeting minutes for April 4, 2005 were approved as submitted (**Hesse/Weeks: 8-0**).

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. Scheduled items

No items were submitted.

2. Off-agenda items

No items were submitted.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

3. Community Police Report

Officer Johnny Parker, Patrol North, presented the Board with a report on a couple of current community policing issues in District II.

Officer Parker informed the Board that in District 2 within the last month there have been 21 part 1 offenses (i.e. aggravated assault) and 18 part 2 offenses. When asked the difference between theft and burglary, he explained that theft is a part 2 offense and that there have been 3 burglaries in the district this past month.

Officer Parker also updated the Board on Mirror Inc. on Toban Street. This is a halfway house for sexual offenders and activity in this area will continue to be monitored. The KBI is reporting that there are 14 offenders housed at this facility, but Mirror Inc. is reporting 28 residents. Therefore, Officer Parker is investigating to obtain the correct number of residents.

Officer Lenzi, Patrol East, reported that there has been an increase in new home construction burglaries; as well as, vehicle and apartment larcenies. Police are conducting bike riding assignments and distributing educational flyers to decrease these crimes.

Officer Lenzi further noted that there has been increased traffic enforcement at the intersection of Harry and Greenwich since it is a high accident intersection.

Officer Lenzi also stated that gang assault and violence is being addressed through SCAT and other officers on foot patrol.

Finally, **Officer Lenzi** mentioned that the Judge grant has almost expired and he distributed a document detailing the statistics of this program.

The Board suggested that geographic locations be described instead of referring to police beats, so that the Board could better understand the areas being discussed. **Kelli Glassman** was asked to find a map of the beats and distribute it to the Board.

The Board thanked Officer Parker and Officer Lenzi for their presentations.

Action Taken: Received and filed.

4. <u>Petition to Construct a Sanitary Sewer to Serve an Area Generally Located South of Harry, West of 127th St. East</u>

Jim Armour, Public Works and Chris Bohm, Ruggles and Bohm, and several other Public Works and Environmental Services staff were present to present this issue. A valid petition has been submitted for sewer main services in the McEvoy Addition. However, given that a number of individual sewer systems have failed or are about to fail and the odor complaints as a result of these system failures, there is an opportunity to submit a petition for lateral services from this main which would make the project much more cost effective if done at one time. The petition for the sewer main will go forward; therefore, the residents of this community are being presented with three options related to this project:

- 1. Obtain a valid petition signed by 50% of land owners or residents for lateral sewer service in this area.
- 2. City Council can order in the lateral sewer services if a health hazard becomes present.
- 3. Lateral hook-ups to the sewer main will be required once individual sewer systems fail

Staff clarified the differences between main and lateral sewer connections and the proposed routes for this system. Other discussion points on this item included:

- A sewer system had just been replaced 4 or 5 years ago because it was believed that there was no new sewer system planned for this area in the near future.
- Depending upon where your property is located, if residents wait to hook-up to the sewer system until their individual sewer system fails, it will cost one to two times more than if done now.
- The Water and Sewer Department have upgraded their facilities in this area and will have the capacity to service this development.
- There needs to be an equitable assessment plan to pay for these sewer connections.
- Unplatted land will not be assessed differently than platted land.
- The construction of the sewer main will not benefit anyone without the construction of the lateral connections.
- Most individual sewer systems in this area are over 20 years old and will fail within the next 5 years.
- There is currently not Federal or State funding for sewer projects like this.
- Sewer construction will try to be contained within the 10 foot right-of-way.

Action Taken: Matt Hesse (Ryan) moved to approve the McEvoy sewer main petition. Motion passed 8-0.

Note: On May 20, a valid petition for lateral sewer connection was received and was approved along with the sewer main project by City Council on June 7.

PLANNING AGENDA

5. No items were submitted.

OTHER BUSINESS

6. There has been no further action taken on acquiring potential parkland in District 2; however, staff is still continuing to research possible locations and options for this project.

There are no new updates on a new roof to replace the current blue roof on a building at 21st Street North and Webb Road.

There was discussion on handicapped accessibility at the new arena; as well as, inadequate accessibility at several other City facilities. A transition plan has been developed to begin addressing these issues and will be implemented shortly.

There was a request for an update. There is concern that if a warm grass is used in the medians on North Rock Road between 21st and 29th Streets, it will not be consistent with the other landscape in the area. It was mentioned that although the meridians on 29th Street between Rock and Webb are

blue grass and look great, these medians are maintained privately. Kelli Glassman was asked to send an update the Board on this issue once more information was available.

Note: The Board was notified that the areas behind the curb will be sodded back to Fescue grass, except for a vacant lot on the west side near the north end which is not irrigated, which will be Bermuda grass. The medians will also be Bermuda grass.

BOARD AGENDA

7. Updates, Issues, and Reports

No items were submitted

8. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

The **next DAB II meeting** will be **June 20**, 2005 at the Rockwell Branch Library.

Guests

City Manager George and Sandy Kolb

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